Lead Hazard Reduction (LHR)

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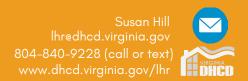
About LHR

The Lead Hazard Reduction program (LHR) is the statewide resource for income-eligible families to address the lead-based paint hazards in their homes. It is a grant program that operates with no charge to participating homeowners, tenants, and landlords. All eligible homes will receive a full lead inspection and risk assessment to determine the location and condition of the lead-based paint. All lead-based paint hazards will be addressed through a combination of interim controls and abatement. Families may need to be temporarily relocated (for up to 10 days) while the remediation work is completed. All homes must pass clearance at the end of the project.

To apply for the program, contact LHR staff for an initial eligibility screening. Eligible families will then be referred to their local program provider, who will manage their entire project, from application intake to the final clearance test.

All families are encouraged to have their children under age 6 tested annually for elevated blood lead levels. These tests are routinely available through pediatricians' offices. Contact LHR staff for more information if needed.

Eligibilty

All households:
Pre-1978 single family and multifamily housing (Homes must test positive for lead paint by an XRF analyzer.)
Households at or below 80% area median income (AMI)
Priority for children under 6 years of age with elevated blood lead levels

Owner-occupied housing:
Families with children under 6 years of age, or with a child of this age, that visits the home regularly
Pregnant women

Renter-occupied housing:
Rental priority given to families with children 6 years of age and younger

Program Funding

DHCD was awarded a $5.6 million grant through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes.

Key Dates

The program will operate until at least **June 2023**.

Providers

Local program providers will manage all aspects of the lead remediation projects: from client intake to final clearance testing.